

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT:

Chairman Thomas stated for the record that both the Press and Banner and the Index Journal were notified of the meeting and that the meeting was posted on County Buildings as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None

**ABBEVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 8, 2004
MINUTES**

PRESENT: Chairman Thomas, Vice-Chairman Brown, Councilman Forrester, Councilman Gunnells, Councilman Walker, Councilman Calhoun and Councilman Norris.

ABSENT: None

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The audience led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION:

Vice Chairman Brown gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chairman Thomas welcomed all to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance.

Vice-Chairman Brown made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 25, 2004, regular council meeting. Councilman Calhoun seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Dan Gibson spoke in opposition to the rezoning request located off Highway 184. He stated that the proposed use was inconsistent with the general area.

Ted Collins spoke in opposition to the rezoning request located off Highway 184. He said the area was agricultural and residential in nature.

Jason Chadwick spoke in opposition to the rezoning request located off Highway 184.

PRESENTATIONS:

Chairman Thomas recognized various members of the Emergency Management Department for awards received at the state level. The entire 9-1-1 department was recognized for a national honorable mention for Emergency Communication Center of the year. Ms. Sharmel Miller received a Certificate of Excellence for her leadership in the installation of the new 9-1-1 system. Ms. Sherry New and Melissa Smith received Certificates of Excellence for the team of the year award. Ms. Sandy Purdy the Palmetto Award for duty above and beyond the call of duty. All of these awards were given by APCO/NENA. Councilman Larry Walker made a motion to award these certificates. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

Mr. Vince DeCarlo with the National Weather Service recognized Abbeville County for being one of only two counties in this region declared to be storm ready. He personally recognized Steve McDade, Debbie Temple, Sharmel Miller and Dockery Smith for all the work they did to get Abbeville County storm ready.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. The first item on the agenda was second reading of an ordinance to amend the Abbeville County Zoning Text to add Section 726 entitled Day Care and Child Care Facilities. Vice Chairman Brown made a motion that this issue remained on the table. Councilman Gunnells seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.
- b. The second item on the agenda was second reading of an ordinance to amend the FY 04-05 budget for Abbeville County by incorporating a \$49,000 appropriation from prior year revenue and the expenditure thereof for the Abbeville County Fire Commission. Councilman Norris made a motion to approve second reading. Councilman Gunnells seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.
- c. The third item on the agenda was second reading of an ordinance adopting and establishing Land Development Regulations for Abbeville County, South Carolina. A motion was made by Vice Chairman Brown to approve second reading. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. The first item on the agenda was first reading of an ordinance to amend Section 509 of the Abbeville County Zoning Ordinance to clarify filing fees. Council Norris made a motion to approve first reading. The motion was seconded by Councilman Calhoun. The motion carried 7-0-0.the FY 04-05 budget for Abbeville County by incorporating a \$49,000 appropriation from prior year revenue and the expenditure thereof for the
- b. The second item on the agenda was first reading of an ordinance by the County of Abbeville to rezone a 69.22 acre tract of land located off Old Abbeville Highway. The property is identified by tax map number 110-00-00-090, and the request is to rezone from Forest/Agriculture (FA) to Basic Industrial (BI). Councilman Norris made a motion to approve first reading. Councilman Walker seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.
- c. The third item on the agenda was first reading of an ordinance to rezone a six (6) acre tract of land located on Highway 184 for Anatoliy and AnnaCholak. The property is identified by tax map number 042-00-00-019, and the request is to rezone from Forest/Agriculture (FA) to Light Industrial (LI). The Planning Commission recommended disapproval on this request. Councilman Walker made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Vice-Chairman Brown seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The County Director gave an update on the renovations to the Courthouse.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Finance Committee—Claude Thomas, Billy Norris and Larry Walker. No report provided
- b. Personnel and Administration—Ray Gunnells, Scott Brown and Claude Thomas. No report provided
- c. Public Works—Larry Walker, Ray Gunnells and David Forrester. No report provided
- d. Intergovernmental Relations—Billy Norris, Claude Thomas and John Calhoun. No report provided.
- e. Planning and Industrial Development—Scott Brown, John Calhoun and Larry Walker. No report provided.
- f. Education, Recreation, Health and Welfare—John Calhoun, Ray Gunnells and David Forrester. No report was given.
- g. Public Safety—David Forrester, Scott Brown and Billy Norris. No report was given.

A motion was made by Councilman Gunnells to go into Executive Session to discuss Personnel, Contractual or legal matters. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Brown. The motion carried 7-0-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Chairman reconvened the meeting following executive session and announced that no action was needed following executive session.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further items of discussion Councilman Gunnells made a motion to Adjourn. Councilman Forrester seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.